

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
JULY 17, 2012
7:15 PM**

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:15PM
Flag Salute; Silent Prayer

Sunshine Law: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was sent to ***The Record*** and the ***Ridgewood News***, posted on the Borough website and filed with the Borough of Dumont.

Roll Call: Council members Brophy, Carrick, Hayes, Zamechansky-present
Council members Freeman and Stylianou-absent
Mayor Kelly-present

Motion to accept agenda as presented with the exception of moving Resolution #176 to non-consent agenda: Councilman Hayes
Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky
All in favor.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilman Brophy requested that the June 6, 2012 Closed Session minutes be tabled until the next meeting.

Motion to approve the June 18, 2012 Executive Meeting and June 18, 2012 Public Meeting minutes: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Brophy

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Hayes, Zamechansky-yes

Councilman Carrick-abstained

Motion to approve the July 2, 2012 Special Public Meeting and July 2, 2012 Closed Session minutes: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Brophy

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Hayes, Zamechansky-yes

Councilman Carrick-abstained

Administrator's Report

Mr. Perkins met with a representative of PSE&G to discuss issues with inadequate lighting at the park. PSE&G has authorized upgrading to LED lighting at the walking path and basketball courts. Dumont will be the second town in New Jersey to have such an upgrade.

We have had three heat advisories this summer. Cooling stations have been set up at the Senior Center, the library and fire stations.

The issues involving the red light certification in other towns have been resolved.

The tax collection rate is presently 98.58%, which is high.

The Borough is participating in a county program, SCOPE, which pays students to work in the Borough for two weeks from 9:00AM to 1:00PM.

Mr. Perkins congratulated the Dumont 14U and 16U baseball teams for winning Districts.

Council Committee Reports

- Councilman Brophy

DPW

Garbage should be put out the night before. With the heat advisories in effect, the DPW employees are coming in earlier and trying to get their work done before it really gets hot.

Celebrations

Dumont Day is September 8th. Volunteers are needed

September 1st is the 5K Run.

Shade Tree Commission

The Shade Tree Commission wanted to be sure that all shade trees removed for the NJEIT Phase II project will be replaced. The Shade Tree Commission will be present once a month at the Farmer's Market to provide information and education about the Adopt-a-Tree Program.

- Councilman Carrick

A basketball league, consisting of Dumont kids, has been formed. Approximately seventy-five kids have joined. Coaches from the high school come to look at the players. This program could be a help to the high school program in the future. Since the park is being used by Recreation, people from other towns have to look elsewhere to play. Mr. Perkins donated \$500 for a basketball league barbecue at the end of the season.

- Councilman Hayes

Joint Land Use Board

They will be meeting next week. At the last meeting they seemed to come to some understanding pertaining to parking for the seniors at St. Mary's.

Fire Department

The Chief is concerned about his budget, equipment and bills being paid.

- Councilwoman Zamechansky

Senior Citizens

The Councilwoman and the Mayor attended a seminar at the Senior Center pertaining to State benefits. It was very well attended.

There is a meeting planned for this week to discuss the condition of Borough Hall.

Environmental Commission

The June meeting was cancelled.

Chamber of Commerce

There will be a Corn Festival this Saturday at the Farmer's Market.

The Councilwoman commended Sean Lissemore for giving back to the town by holding a football camp last Saturday. She, the Mayor and Councilman Brophy were present.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kelly thanked the members of the Recreation Commission who worked to put the Lissemore camp together. He also thanked Mr. Lissemore's agent who paid for water and hot dogs that day. He thanked the Ambulance Corps and Fire Department for being there. Mr. Lissemore plans on holding this camp annually.

Review of Consent Agenda Items: All items with an asterisk are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business.

RESOLUTIONS

#12-155 TwinBoro Field Remediation Project-Change Order #1 -\$7,032.60 * previously tabled

#12-163 Approval of NJDOT Project Proposal for Depew Street-\$146,500 * previously tabled

#12-171 Bills List *

#12-172 Donny Lee-Accept Application to Fire Department *

#12-173 Approval of Block Party on Lucille Avenue August 18, 2012 *

#12-174 Approval of Borough Towing Company List *

#12-175 Endorsement of State Local Cooperative Housing Inspection Program *

#12-177 Support of Hopewell v Verizon Tax Court Appeal-not to exceed \$220.00 *

#12-178 Authorization of Execution of Revised Agreement with Greenstar Recycling *

#12-179 Authorization of Change Order #4 for White Beeches Pump Station Project-reduction in the amount of \$8,973.68 *

#12-180 Approval of Henry & Mary McHale Family Fund, Inc. 50/50 Off-premise Cash Raffle to be drawn September 17, 2012; RL#371, ID#109-4-39163 *

#12-181 Resolution Requesting New Jersey Transit and PSE&G to Establish the Use of Clean Fuel Buses at the Oradell Bus Garage *

#12-182 NJDOT Transportation Enhancement Program Endorsement of Grant Application-\$75,000 *

Motion to open to the public on consent agenda items: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Hayes

All in favor.

1. Kai Chen, 90 Teak Road, asked about resolution #177 and how much the Borough is losing in revenue with the loss of the Verizon taxes.

The Mayor explained that the court ruled in favor of Verizon and the \$220 will help support the appeal.

Mr. Chen referred to resolution #182 and asked if the project would move forward even if the grant was not approved.

Mr. Perkins explained that the Mayor and Council would have to then decide whether or not to fund the project.

The Mayor stated that the parking lot would be beneficial to residents and also bring in revenue.

Motion to close: Councilman Carrick

Second: Councilman Brophy

Motion to adopt: Councilman Carrick

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Carrick, Hayes, Zamechansky-yes

Motion carried.

Non-consent Agenda

#12-176 Mike O'Connor and Mike "Joe" Sherban-DPW-Approval of \$5,000 Raise in Base Salary for each

Councilman Hayes stated that due to the budget constraints and that there will be more of an issue next year he does not approve of this raise. He also doesn't approve of giving raises to certain employees and not others even though the DPW employees signed a letter that they would not grieve it. Their raises this year were 3½%, which is very generous in this economy.

Councilman Brophy said that this relates to the tabling of the June 6th closed session minutes and made a motion that it be tabled until next month.

Second: Councilman Hayes

Councilman Hayes asked for more information on the two employees-certification, job description, etc.

Roll call vote to table: Council members Brophy, Carrick, Hayes, Zamechansky-yes

Motion carried.

Mr. Perkins responded to Councilman Carrick's question that the increase would be coming from overtime.

ORDINANCE

Second Reading

#1444 Ordinance Establishing a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Hayes

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Carrick

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Carrick

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Carrick, Hayes, Zamechansky-yes

Motion carried.

Motion to open to the public for general comment: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilman Carrick

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Connelly, RMC

Municipal Clerk